

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	8	-	20	=	0	\$18	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	2	-	3	=	0	\$84	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						\$280	\$0.00
						TOTAL	\$0.00

- ☐ Petition for ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.


Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

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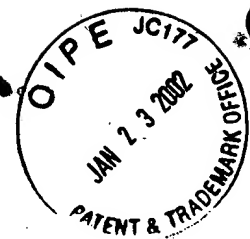
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Appln. No. 09/424,661

PATENT  
1163-0258P

IN THE U. S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: T. MITSUGI Conf.: 8311  
Appl. No.: 09/424,661 Art Unit: 2177  
Filed: November 29, 1999 Examiner: M. Ali

For: OBJECT DATA RETRIEVING DEVICE, OBJECT DATA  
RETRIEVING METHOD, AND COMPUTER-READABLE  
RECORDING MEDIUM CONTAINING RECORDER DATA

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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

January 23, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action of October 23, 2001, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 4 ✓

Please amend claims 3 and 5 as follows:

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3. (Amended) An object data search method comprising the steps of:  
retrieving one or a plurality of search words from a search criterion input in the  
form of a sentence of a natural language by analyzing the search criterion in  
accordance with a grammar of the natural language;